

THE FORGOTTEN COMMAND DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

SESSION 4 – A CITY ON A HILL

Discussion Questions:

1. Yale professor, Stephen Carter, was quoted in a 1994 *U.S. News & World Report* article as saying, “We have pressed the religiously faithful . . . to act as though their faith does not matter.” What can churches and individual believers do to restore their relevance in our world without compromising the truth of God’s Word?
2. As stated in the video presentation, churches should learn to operate as a community governed by Jesus. What does it mean for your church to be “governed by Jesus”? What examples can you identify of how your church has shown that it is governed by Jesus? If your church receives any government funding for any of its ministries, does that conflict with your church’s ability to be “governed by Jesus”?
3. A church that is functioning as a community of Christ-followers should be giving their lives to the cause of Christ. In what ways can/does your church and its members sacrificially give to the cause of Christ?
4. It was stated that “Key #2” to releasing Christ-followers to be a “city on a hill” is that we must bear a testimony to the truth of God’s Word, to the way of salvation through Jesus and to the life of purpose and promise that Jesus offers to those who trust Him. How well does your church (or association of churches) utilize this “key”? What specific ministries are you employing in order to bear a testimony to the Word, to Christ’s salvation and to the life of purpose and promise that Jesus has given you?

Personal Application:

In the video, the “plan of salvation” was presented. The particular outline that was used is often called “The Roman Road to Salvation” because all the Bible verses are taken from the New Testament Book of Romans. There are other outlines that have been used through the years by Christ-followers in order to share Jesus. Take time to research the various outlines and choose one with which you feel most comfortable sharing. Then pray for a friend or family member with whom you might share God’s plan of salvation, set up a time and place to meet with that individual and then “just do it!”

